

Notice of *Ex Parte* Contact

TO: Data Center
All Parties in Case No. **ER-2008-0318**

FROM: Commissioner Connie Murray
Commissioner Jeff Davis
Commissioner Kevin Gunn

DATE: February 11, 2009



On February 11, 2009, we received an email message from Gaye Suggett, State Regulatory Liaison for AmerenUE, regarding Ameren's press release (copy attached). Case No. ER-2008-0318 is a contested case. The Commission is bound by its *ex parte* rule, and, we are therefore giving notice to the parties this communication has been received.

Although communications from members of the public and members of the legislature are always welcome, those communications must be made known to all parties to a contested case so that those parties have the opportunity to respond. According to the Commission's rules (4 CSR 240-4.020(8)), when a communication from any person interested in a case (either oral or written) occurs outside the hearing process, any member of the Commission or Regulatory Law Judge who received the communication shall prepare a written report concerning the communication and submit it to each member of the Commission and the parties to the case. The report shall identify the person(s) who participated in the *ex parte* communication, the circumstances which resulted in the communication, the substance of the communication, and the relationship of the communication to a particular matter at issue before the Commission.

Therefore, we submit this report pursuant to the rules cited above. This will ensure that any party to this case will have notice of the attached information and a full and fair opportunity to respond to the comments contained therein.

cc: Commissioners
Executive Director
Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge
General Counsel

Neuner, Joyce

From: Neuner, Joyce on behalf of Gunn, Kevin
Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2009 1:53 PM
To: Neuner, Joyce
Subject: FW: AmerenUE Announces Energy Efficiency Program To Help Business Electric Customers Upgrade Facilities
Attachments: Business EE program.doc

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Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2009 1:08 PM
To: Clayton, Robert; Davis, Jeff; Murray, Connie; Gunn, Kevin; Jarrett, Terry; Mantle, Lena; Beck, Dan; Dietrich, Natelle*; Henderson, Wess; Mills, Lewis; Ochoa, Gregg
Cc: Kidwell, Steve M
Subject: Fw: AmerenUE Announces Energy Efficiency Program To Help Business Electric Customers Upgrade Facilities

Attached is the press release announcing AmerenUE's Energy Efficiency Business tariffs. If you have any questions, please let me know. Thank you
 Gaye

From: Lindemann, Brianne C
Sent: Wed Feb 11 11:42:18 2009
Subject: AmerenUE Announces Energy Efficiency Program To Help Business Electric Customers Upgrade Facilities

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For Immediate Release

**AmerenUE Announces Energy Efficiency Program To Help
 Business Electric Customers Upgrade Facilities**

ST. LOUIS, MO., Feb. 11, 2009—Business customers throughout AmerenUE's service territory now have \$24 million in incentives available to them to help them save electricity---and money.

UE's new Business Energy Efficiency Program gives any non-residential customer planning to purchase and install qualifying energy efficiency upgrades incentives to cover the cost of making those improvements.

"This program is one of the best ways to help customers in an economic downturn upgrade their facilities to reduce their energy use and monthly bills," says Steve Kidwell, VP of Regulatory Affairs and Energy Efficiency for UE. "In turn, this program will help UE reduce the demand on its system allowing us to defer building more generation and, therefore, saving money for all energy consumers."

Incentive levels are subject to program guidelines. Customers may get current program information, including incentive forms, by calling 866-941-7299 or by visiting www.ameren.com/BIZefficiency.

The Business Energy Efficiency Program currently offers two types of incentives:

- The Standard Incentive Program participant can earn a fixed amount of cash for installing typical energy efficiency measures that meet UE's cost-effectiveness requirements, including:
 - Lighting
 - Heating Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC)
 - Refrigeration
 - Motors

Upgrades costing more than \$10,000 must receive pre-approval for incentives. Customers should call 866-941-7299 for those pre-approvals.

- Custom Incentive Program participants will receive cash based on estimated energy savings that result from energy efficiency improvements on existing facilities. Included are energy efficient equipment retrofits, facility modernization or industrial process improvements. The incentive may not exceed 50 percent of the total approved incremental project cost. All Custom Incentive Program projects require pre-approval. Customers should call 866-941-7299 for those pre-approvals.

To be eligible for Business Energy Efficiency Program funds, all qualifying equipment must be purchased and installed no earlier than Feb. 11, 2009. The maximum annual incentive per individual site is \$250,000, and the maximum annual incentive per individual customer is \$500,000.

With 1.2 million customers, UE is Missouri's largest electric company and third largest provider of natural gas. UE's parent, Ameren Corporation, through its operating companies, serves 2.4 million electric and 1 million natural gas customers in a 64,000-square-mile area of Illinois and Missouri.

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